

## **Community** Conservation **Challenge** Opportunities for Learning

All of the workshops listed below are free and open to the public. To ensure adequate materials are available, please register by calling 978-318-3259 or by emailing *joanneb@concordma.gov*. Funding for these workshops is provided by the Massachusetts Environmental Trust. Learn about the Challenge at *www.ConservationChallenge.org*.

- Water and Energy Conservation 101, 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, April 23, at the Harvey Wheeler Community Center at 1276 Main Street in West Concord. Presented by Water Conservation Coordinator Joanne Bissetta and John Odell, Energy Services Administrator from Concord Municipal Light Plant, you will learn about water and energy saving appliances, how to check for leaks and simple things you can do to cut utility bills. Bring your questions!
- Sustainable Lawn Care, 7 8:30 p.m., Wednesday, May 7, at CCHS.
   Come hear from U-Mass Extension Turf Expert Mary Owen about the best management practices to cultivate a healthy lawn with minimal environmental impacts.
- Naturally Beautiful Landscapes, 7 9 p.m., Tuesday, May 13, at CCHS.
  Learn how to reduce maintenance and water use by incorporating native,
  low-water use plants into your landscape. Discover the importance of the
  "right plant in the right place," the benefits of compost and the value of
  healthy soil. Presented by Donald Bishop, landscape consultant and
  owner of "Gardens Are..." a Marlborough-based organic landscaping and
  design business.
- Irrigation Systems 101, 7 9 p.m., Tuesday, May 20 at CCHS. Certified irrigation auditor and contractor Ted Moriarty from the Smart Watering Company will guide you on how to properly maintain your irrigation system for maximum watering efficiency. Learn how to use your controller and develop an optimum watering schedule as well as easy doit-yourself repairs.



